Dear members, I am glad to report that we had several successful major CAPA events in the second quarter. The most prominent is clearly the Global Chinese Petroleum and Petrochemical Technical Symposium (GCPPTTS) with over 150 senior executives and senior technical delegates from Mainland China, Taiwan, and US.

The following is a brief recap of the events:

• Over 70 people participated in and enjoyed discussions with Ms. Lynn Chou, GM at Chevron ITC on developing leadership skills during a recent CAPA Lunch & Learn event in June;

• CAPA and Chinese American Chemical Society (CACS) jointly hosted a reception for a delegation of 20 people from China LNG Association. China LNG Asso. has won the privilege to host world LNG conference in 2019. CAPA and China LNG Asso. both expressed great interest in future collaborations.

• This year’s Spring BBQ picnic has a record turnout - over 300 people came and enjoyed the beautiful and fresh Beer Creek Park after a night of heavy rain.

• The OTC Reception is one of the largest in the CAPA history - about 250 VIPs, sponsors, members took the opportunity to meet with high level delegations from China NOCs of the Mainland and Taiwan. Many thanks to the great support of our sponsors, especially those from the Chinese private sector.

• CAPA and CNPC USA co-hosted a roundtable discussion with guests from fourteen oil and service companies in Houston and a delegate from CNPC/USTC China on critical issues facing geophysics industry

• CAPA chaired a technical session at the annual SETS (Science, Engineering, Technology Seminar) event on June 15. CAPA members successfully delivered four presentations with a full house of audience and the session was considered one of the most popular sessions this year.

• CAPA contributed 15 presentations (including 1 keynote speech) to the Global Chinese Petroleum and Petrochemical Technical Symposium (GCPPTTS) held in Shenzhen, China on June 19-21, 2013. The Symposium was hosted by CNOOC. CAPA will host the next GCPPTTS in 2015 in the US.
As mentioned in the Q1 newsletter, it is a busy year. We still have several big events coming up. Including: (1) Two technical workshops will be held in Qingdao (9/12-18) and Taipei (Date TBD), (2) We have secured a strong line-up of discussion leaders for the ICAPT workshop, including people from academia in the US and China (Great job by the organizing committee), (3) The third and fourth Quarterly Lunch and Learns, (4) A Career Forum will be jointly held with the BP Asian Employee Network (8/10/2013) with a strong panel comprised of senior managers and leaders in the industry, and (5) A CAPA technical symposium will be on Friday, October 25, 2013 at the Marathon conference center. CAPA is grateful to the continued support from Marathon Oil. We expect a much strengthened downstream session this year as we are jointly hosting the session with CACS. Last but not the least, we are excited to announce that we are launching CAPA’s thirty-year anniversary at a dinner reception on October 25, 2013 with a video made by former and current CAPA presidents and members. Stay tuned.

Bruce Z. Shang
CAPA President (2013)

Q2 CAPA Lunch & Learn - Conversation on Leadership Skills with Lynn Chou

June 1, 2013 – The second quarterly CAPA Lunch & Learn event was held from 9:00 AM to Noon at the American First National Bank (恒丰银行大楼) with more than seventy people participating. The invited speaker, Ms. Lynn Chou, general manager of Chevron ITC, presented and shared her insight on “Developing Leadership Skills to Achieve Your Fullest Potential”.

Lynn has more than 30 years experience working in major oil companies. She started as a Geophysicist and later became a Chief Information Officer with the company. In her talk, Lynn introduced the concept of A (attitude), B (brand), C (communication), and D (drive) leadership attributes. Most participants received the message very well and showed great interest in the learning. Lynn also kindly answered many real life questions from the audience. It is a successful L&L event.

(Mu Liu)
CAPA Annual Spring BBQ Picnic (April 28, 2013)
Photos Contributed by Zhenzhen Dong
May 6, 2013 – The 2013 Offshore Technology Conference (OTC) was held from May 6 to 9 in Houston, TX. CAPA hosted a reception dinner at Ocean Palace Restaurant, on the first day of OTC. Approximately 225 attendees, including VIP guests from Mainland and Taiwan, CAPA sponsors and members, and professionals working in oil and gas industry in the Houston area.

The 2013 CAPA Vice President, Dr. Tai Shih gave the opening remarks, CAPA President Dr. Bruce Shang highlighted CAPA’s responsibilities and activities over its 30 years development. An OTC Committee member this year, Dr. Doreen Chin, introduced the structure and organization of OTC, which is by far the largest conference in the oil and gas industry.

Chairman of CAPA BOD, Dr. Yu Li and Dr. Bruce Shang welcomed and introduced the guests of honor.

Delegation leads from CNPC, SINOPEC, CNOOC, OpicOil and CPC, including Dr. Yan Cunzhang (President of CNPC Foreign Corp. Dept.), Dr. Zhang Yongjie (EVP of SINOPEC Oilfield Service Corp. and President of SINOPEC Intl. Petroleum Service Corp.), Dr. Zhou Jianliang (Chief Scientist of Drilling & Completion of CNOOC Research Institute), and Ms. Sylvia Fuh (Acting President of OAI) took turns to introduce themselves and their teams, and praised CAPA for hosting the event and for the outstanding service to Chinese Oil and Gas professionals worldwide.

Dr. Tai Shih and CAPA Treasurer, Dr. Long Ma held a sponsor acknowledgement section. This year’s CAPA OTC reception event received generous support from almost 20 corporate sponsors, including three Platinum Sponsors: WELL-HEAD, CIF.CO Int’l Group, and Addax. (Jing Xiang)
China LNG Association Visits Houston

Apr. 20, 2013 – CAPA and CACS SW Chapter jointly held a reception for a delegate from China LNG Association led by Professor Gu Anzhong, Secretary General of the China LNG Association. CAPA President Dr. Bruce Shang and CACS-SW President Dr. Xu Teng attended the reception, introduced the two organizations and greeted the guests from China. About 20 China LNG members and 40 local Houston oil and gas professionals participated in the event.

China LNG Association has recently won the bid to host LNG-19 Conference in Beijing, China in 2019. The LNG conference is held every three years and alternates between producing and consuming countries. It is the most prestigious conference in the LNG industry. The bid to host LNG19 in China was selected among a number of strong candidates. The successful bid reflects the importance of China as a growing natural gas market and LNG importer, as well as the tremendous growth occurred throughout Asia. It will also help showcase China’s LNG industry and share its enthusiasm and achievements with the rest of the world. (Lixin You)

CNPC Delegate Visits Houston

May 18, 2013 – Guests from fourteen oil and service companies in Houston attended the round table discussion hosted by CAPA/CNPC USA and discussed various topics on geophysics industry with CNPC/USTC delegates. The delegates from CNPC China include Liu Zhenwu, Sa Liming, Zhang Shaohua, and Zhao Bo. The delegates from USTC are Zhang Jie and Hao Zhifeng. Mr. Sa presented CNPC’s progress in geophysics business. (Yining Li)

Annual SETS Event

Jun. 15, 2013 – ACAP (美南國建會) held a technical session on petroleum and energy technology during its annual SETS (Science, Engineering, Technology Seminar) event. CAPA chaired the session and contributed four out-standing presentations delivered by Dr. Long Ma, Dr. Eddy Lee, Dr. Kuochen Tsai, and Dr. Tai-chang Shih. We had a full house audience around 50 people at this session. This was one of most popular sessions at the SETS event this year. (Chia-Hao Ko)
CAPA and European Association of Geoscientists & Engineers (EAGE) Became Associated Societies

June 11, 2013 – The European Association of Geoscientists & Engineers (EAGE) and CAPA formed “Associate Society” relationship at the EAGE conference in London. Dr. Leonard Srnka (EAGE 2012-2013 President) and Dr. Xianhuai Zhu (CAPA 2013 Vice Chairman of Board of Directors) signed “Agreement of Association” on behalf of EAGE and CAPA at the Signing Ceremony. (Xianhuai Zhu)

EAGE and CAPA representatives at the Singing Ceremony. From left: Roald van Borselen, Jeff Chen, Leonard Srnka, Gladys Gonzalez, Xianhuai Zhu, and Marcel van Loon.

Dr. Gladys Gonzalez (EAGE 2013-2014 President) and Dr. Xianhuai Zhu

About EAGE

EAGE is a professional association for geoscientists and engineers. Founded in 1951, it is an organization with a worldwide membership providing a global network of commercial and academic professionals. The association is truly multi-disciplinary and international in form and pursuits.

All members of EAGE are professionally involved in (or studying) geophysics, petroleum exploration, geology, reservoir engineering, mining and civil engineering. The EAGE operates two divisions: the Oil & Gas Geoscience Division and the Near Surface Geoscience Division.

EAGE’s Head Office is located in the Netherlands
一九九四年對華人石油協會來說,是一個關鍵的年度。十幾年來,石油協會的成長除了表現在會員數目的增加之外,更重要的呈現在我們舉辦的學術研討會所波及層面的擴大。從石油協會成立以來,我們一年舉辦一次石油科技研討會。一九九一年以後,我們開始舉行一年一度的大型石油、石化科技研討會。我們把研討會期增為兩天,並擴大邀請海內外華人石油及石化界從業人員參加。一九九四年這個大型研討會更進一步成為世界華人的國際會議,成功地在中國北京舉行,與會專家學者來自台海兩岸及歐美各地。這個大型國際會議預期今年將在台灣舉行,明年再回到休斯頓舉行。所以一九九四年可說是華人石油協會成長過程中的另一個里程碑。

因為這個大型研討會在北京舉行,並很榮幸的能得到中國石油天然氣總公司出面負責會議的籌備工作,會長的工作反而比前幾年輕松。由於會員們踴躍投稿,會長為研討會所做的聯繫工作也顯得容易多了,而這一年來固有為大家服務的機會,得到不少的榮譽。當我們以30多位的代表團赴北京參加這次的盛會而被熱忱的以貴賓招待時,我們除了個人感到無限的榮幸之外,更為華人石油協會在全球華人石油及石化界的崇高地位而感到驕傲。

在這一次研討會上發表的150篇論文中,有20篇是由華人石油協會提供的,另外有10篇由台灣石油及石化界專家學人提供,論文發表之踴躍可說是盛況空前。可惜聽眾方面,人數稍嫌少些,這點希望三年後再在中國開會時能加以改進。這次北京之行的另外一個收穫是今年的大型研討會在台灣舉行的構想,普遍得到台灣代表團的支持,相信今年將在台灣舉行的研討會絕對不會遜於去年北京的盛會。

除了這個大型科技研討會之外,我們還舉辦了很多其他活動,為會員及僑界帶來了學術交流及交誼的機會。首先我們與華人電腦學會合辦了一年一度的聯合電腦座談會,接下去我們有春季部遊烤肉、休大學術研討會、兩次小型座談會及年會聚餐等活動。這些活動的順利進行都靠會員及幹員們的熱心協助,我特別在此向大家致謝。

由於每次活動,我們都對僑界發佈新聞,一年來我們吸收了不少新會員,可惜我們的會員記錄作業有欠周詳,以致通訊時還漏了幾位新會員,我在此向各位致歉,並希望今年幹事在這方面能以我們的錯誤為前鑑,特別注意不要讓我們的新會員失望。

最後我要再感謝會員們給我這為大家服務的機會,一年來我認識了許多新朋友,增長不少見聞得益良多,謝謝。

(載自1995年石油協會會刊)